

Year One Spring Term Newsletter

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Dates for your diary!

Visits to Mount Pleasant School Farm : 1Y Tuesday 25th February
1B Wednesday 26th February
1R Thursday 27th February

Please complete the consent forms, which will be sent out to you soon, and return to your child's class teacher. Without this consent children will be unable to visit the farm.



Workshops, running from 1:30 - 3:00pm: 1Y Monday 3rd March
1R Tuesday 4th March
1B Wednesday 5th March

The workshops will be based on our Farm Learning Focus, following our visit.

Thank you for returning the after school **Dance and Sports Club** forms. We hope that the children will enjoy the sessions at their chosen club.



This term in **P.E.** with Chris Coley, we are enjoying Games on Thursday afternoons and Gymnastics on Friday mornings. Please can you **check that all PE kit (including pumps) is named** when we send it home at half term. Thank you!

Learning Focus, Spring Term.

In **English** our focus is looking at stories and their different parts. We will be using 'The Monkey with a Bright Blue Bottom' to think about plot, 'Rosie's Walk' to think about language choices and 'We're Going on a Lion Hunt' to help us think about settings and characters. We will be using 'Peace at Last', to help us write in different ways. As part of our Farm Learning Focus, we will be watching 'Farmer Duck' in our 3-week visual literacy unit of work.

In **Mathematics** we are learning positional language. We are continuing to look at counting and calculating, extending this to using numbers up to 100. We will also be finding equivalent amounts of money, finding half of shapes and numbers and learning about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

We are learning about Living Things in **Science** this term. As part of our **Science** we will be receiving some 'Living Eggs', which the children will watch hatch and then grow into chicks. This has proved to be a very popular time in Year 1 in years past! Our learning in **Geography** will also link in with our focus of The Farm.